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## WOODFORD

Fred Bowles was in the city Monday.

Fred Briggs of Searsburg was in town Sunday.

Warwick Carpenter spent Sunday at his home here.

George A. Wood passed Sunday at his home in Bennington.

Mrs. Anna L. Carpenter is putting a new roof on her cottage.

George W. Knapp and George I. Knapp were in Bennington Monday.

Thomas Rogers is building a piazza on the "Have Another Inn" club house.

Work has started on laying the foundation for the new iron bridge at the Dunville Notch.

Miss Ruth O'Dell of Petersburg, N. Y., is visiting her cousin, Leslie Hyde for a few days.

Mrs. George W. Knapp and Miss Ruth O'Dell were visiting in North Adams Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sawyer of Bennington were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Sawyer.

Mrs. Amos Aldrich remains about the same, her sister, Mrs. Charles F. Wood, is staying with her for a few days.

## BENJAMINE F. TRACY

Former Naval Secretary Had Brilliant War Career.

Benjamin Franklin Tracy, who died in New York Friday, was born April 26, 1830, in his father's farmhouse in Owego, Tioga county, N. Y. His father, Benjamin Tracy, was a soldier in the war of 1812, and his grandfather, Thomas Tracy, settled in Tioga late in the 18th century, having moved his home from New England.

He was educated in the common schools and at the Owego academy, and after studying law with David & Warner of Owego, was admitted to the bar at the age of 21. He has been active in politics all his life. In 1853 he was elected, as a whig, as district attorney of Tioga county, though the rest of the whig ticket was badly defeated. Mr. Tracy was the youngest person ever elected to the office of district attorney in the state of New York.

Upon the check of McClellan's army upon the peninsula in the summer of 1862 and the call of President Lincoln for 300,000 more men, Gov. Morgan divided the state into 32 regimental districts, corresponding with the 32 senatorial districts of the state, and appointed a committee of citizens in each district to raise one or more regiments. He designated Mr. Tracy as chairman of his senatorial district, consisting of the counties of Broome, Tioga and Tompkins. The committee sought for some one who desired to take command of the troops but no one was found willing to accept the position. At last to save the situation Mr. Tracy, although not being subject to military duty and having no military ambition was constrained from a sense of duty to accept the position. He was appointed on the 22d of July and on the 22d of August reported that the two regiments which he had been authorized to raise, the 109th and 137th, were full and asked for permission to raise a third as four of the 10 companies were already organized and were filling up rapidly. This was refused by Gov. Morgan on the ground as supposed that three regiments would be much more than the quota for the district.

Mr. Tracy became colonel of the 109th and Capt. Ireland of the regular army, who had been designated as lieutenant-colonel of the 109th, was made colonel of the 137th. On the 27th of August the 109th left for the front.

He saw active service in the Civil war under Gen. Burnside. His first battle was that of the Wilderness and for his conduct upon the battlefield he received a medal of honor and was afterwards made brevet brigadier general. Shortly after this his health failed and he was obliged to go to the hospital at Annapolis. He resigned his command and returned to his home in Owego.

Regaining his health in the fall of 1862, he was appointed colonel of the 127th colored troops and was at once assigned to the command of the military post at Elmira, consisting of the prison camp and the draft rendezvous. He held this command until after the surrender of Gen. Lee, when he again resigned, to again resume the practice of his profession.

In 1889 he was appointed secretary of the navy by President Harrison. His services in that capacity are conspicuous in the history of the country. Beyond question, it was owing to his efforts that the navy reached that condition of splendid efficiency that astonished the world in the Spanish-American war. Every important ship save the Baltimore, that took part in that war was constructed or designed during Secretary Tracy's administration.

He is the founder of the fighting navy. Three separate and distinct types of ships were designed and built during his administration—the three then great battleships, the Massachusetts, the Indiana and the Oregon; the first two armored cruisers ever constructed, the New York and the Brooklyn, and the Columbia and Minneapolis, which were scout cruisers, being the fastest ships of their day. These ships were the most powerful and efficient ships of their class then projected by any government.

But the act of his administration that perhaps attracted more attention than any other was his reform in the method of selecting workmen in the various navy yards. Previous to that the selection of workmen in the navy yards had been left almost entirely to political influences. This he prohibited and made merit the only test of employment.

## PRESSURE ON BULGARIA

Entente Powers Deliver a Joint Communication.

The correspondent at Salonica of the Havas agency telegraphs that diplomatic representatives of France, Russia, Great Britain and Italy have delivered a joint communication to the Bulgarian government with a view to procuring the collaboration of that nation with the allies as part of a common understanding with the Balkan states.

This action was taken in conjunction with the presentation of similar communications to Greece and Serbia, as recently made known. It is in response to Bulgaria's request on June 14 for information from the quadruple entente powers concerning the advantages she might expect in exchange for her active co-operation with them.

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